



Mike Keefe, The Denver Post, March 29, 2006.

Questions:

1. Where does this scene take place?
2. Why is the wall being built?
3. Who does the labor boss want to hire to build the wall?
4. Why is Uncle Sam present in this cartoon?
5. What is Uncle Sam's opinion about the wall?
6. What is the labor boss's opinion about the wall?
7. What is your own opinion?

Anticipation Guide: Immigration

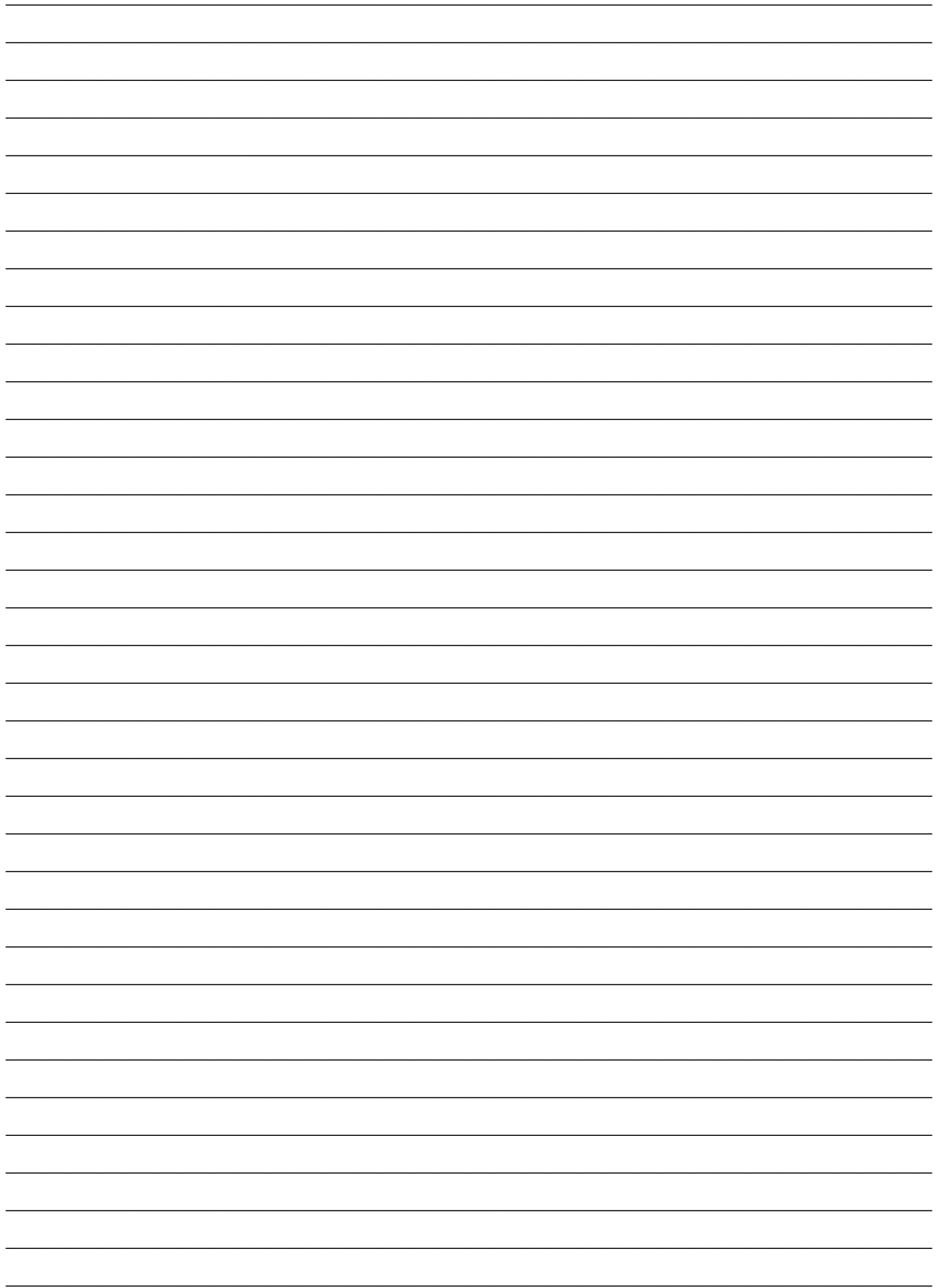
Statement	True or False	Reason you made that guess
1. The United States has always favored immigrants from Asia over immigrants from Mexico.	True False	
2. Business owners do not support limits on immigration.	True False	
3. The first undocumented immigrants to come into the United States came from Mexico.	True False	
4. Businesses like hiring immigrants because immigrants will work for less pay.	True False	
5. Indentured servitude ended once the US started importing slaves.	True False	
6. The first immigrant group that the United States restricted was Mexicans.	True False	
7. Immigration only recently became an important political issue in the United States.	True False	
8. Most immigrants to the United States have faced discrimination.	True False	
9. Most Chinese immigrants settled in New York City.	True False	
10. Because the United States believes in equality, it has never limited immigration from one specific country.	True False	
11. Immigrants to the United States in the late 1800s assimilated very quickly to the US language and culture.	True False	
12. Restrictions on immigration are made because immigrants will take jobs from American workers.	True False	
13. Labor unions want immigration to be restricted to protect the jobs of American workers.	True False	

Immigration Free-Write

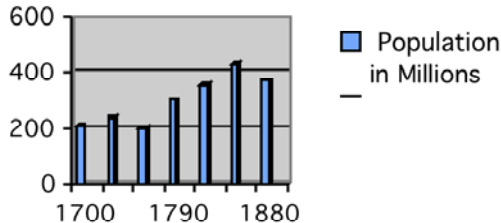
You will write for ten minutes to answer two questions. Write the whole time. Do not worry about spelling and grammar. The important thing is to get your ideas down on paper, not to write perfectly.

1. Why did your family immigrate to the United States? Tell everything you know. If you don't know, make guesses based on what you have learned in US history.
2. What was your family's life like once they arrived in the United States? Tell everything you know. If you don't know, make guesses based on what you have learned in US history.

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Push or Pull?

Source	Push or Pull?	Potential Impact on Immigration	How does this Relate to Immigration Today?								
“Between 1833 and 1882, the (Guangdong) region was hard hit by an unusually large number of natural disasters—droughts, storms, typhoons, blights, earthquakes, and plagues” Tsaid, p. 3.											
Californian and other Western cities developed Chinatowns where many Chinese immigrants lived keeping their customs. 											
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Gold was discovered at Sutter's Mill, California in 1848. 			
The Central Pacific Railroad sent agents to China to find workers to build the Transcontinental Railroad. 			
“Much of the cultivated land. . . was used to grow such commercial crops as tobacco, sugar cane, and fruit, instead of rice the staple food of the southern Chinese. Consequently, the common folk suffered from the rapidly rising price of rice while the rich landlords and merchants accumulated wealth” Tsai, p3.			

Sources:

Chinatown picture:

http://www.sfcityguides.org/public_guidelines.html?article=323&submitted=TRUE&srch_text=&submitted2=&topic=The%20Arts

Mining picture: http://www.pbs.org/weta/thewest/resources/archives/three/63_02.htm

Railroad picture: <http://16794290.nhd.weebly.com/chinese-railroad-workers.html>

Amount of Discrimination against the Chinese

- Score a 1 if there is no discrimination at all.
- Score a 10 if there is a HUGE amount of discrimination.

Event	Discrimination Level (1 to 10)	Explanation of Your Rating
Ralph Waldo Emerson quote		
Burlingame Treaty		
Thomas Nast political cartoon		
Henry Lucker quote		
Denis Kearney Rally		
Fifteen Passenger Bill		
Republican Party Platform		
Democrat Party Platform		
Chicago Times quote		
Morey Letter		
Angell Treaty		
Chinese Exclusion Act		

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Ralph Waldo Emerson basically says that the Chinese are “stupid.”		
The Burlingame Treaty was an agreement between China and the US that said that Chinese could move to the US and Americans could move to China.		
Thomas Nast political cartoon		
This labor union president said that he did not want Chinese “coolies” to come to the US. “Coolies” were almost like slaves. They were often tricked into leaving China and were paid very little money to work. He also said that he didn’t mind if other Chinese workers came to the US.		
Denis Kearney said that they Chinese workers were destroying California workers and that California workers would fight back.		
The Fifteen Passenger Bill would have prohibited boats with more than 15 Chinese from entering the US. When the president vetoed the bill, he said that he agreed with California that Chinese immigration needed to be restricted but that the Burlingame Treaty would be violated if this bill was made into law.		
The Republican Party Platform said that the Republicans thought that Chinese immigration was a serious issue and should be restricted.		
The Democrat Party Platform said that Chinese should not be allowed to come work in the US any more.		
<i>Chicago Times</i> says that only voters in California and other western states cared about restricting Chinese immigration.		

In this letter, which is almost definitely fake, the president said that he would allow businesses to get cheap workers from China.		

The Angell Treaty said that immigration from China could be restricted.		
The Chinese Exclusion Act said that the US was closed to Chinese laborers for ten years		